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WIREGRAM
TO: CHINACOM
FROM: US
SUBJ: CHINACOM TALKS
TO US
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CHINACOM TALKS

PARIS 438

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PARIS 477

SUBJ: PARIS TALKS

FOR AMBASSADOR KREISBERG

1. Kreisberg and Anderson propose seek appointment morning

Feb. 19 at CHICOM Embassy at which letter on prisoners would
be delivered and following approach on CHICOM communication

[REDACTED] on 135th meeting (ref tel):

a. Letter merely states that present atmosphere inappropriate

for 135th meeting. We [REDACTED] would seek specific statement that [REDACTED]

they are cancelling meeting and will not meet with us Feb. 20.

b. CHICOMS have cancelled last three proposed meeting times

for 135th meeting. US wishes to continue dialogue

it is somewhat uncertain

with CPB but in light CHICOM actions/whether Chinese on their

side wish to continue series of meetings

c. If meetings have any purpose at all, it is to ensure two

sides to discuss disputes and differences in private. Facts

in PRC No-shu was made clear [REDACTED] by US side and is

not denied by Chinese which by stating that had never been

in his country made clear in its public statement Feb. 6 that

[REDACTED] - The Ambassador

SECRET

Classification

CHINESE SIDE'S POSITION

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CHINESE SIDE'S POSITION

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a. It is recognized that we left CHICOM office in The Hague voluntarily. If CHICOM wished to raise further points on Liso, obvious place to have done it was the Warsaw meeting. We, ~~thus~~ therefore, reject grounds on which Chinese side has again unilaterally cancelled Feb. 20 meeting.

b. Nevertheless US side continues remain ready to meet with Chinese in Warsaw or elsewhere. Present Chinese position for first time since ~~Xi'an~~ talks began does not give even general time frame for subsequent meeting. (May 1968 postponement suggested mid or late November.) Kreisberg would ~~thus~~ suggest April 17 reasonable period around which to consider rescheduling of 135th meeting and ask that this be put to Peking.

c. Finally, Kreisberg would indicate that US would make public in course of next few days fact that we had ~~thus~~ suggested rescheduling of meeting for April 17. ~~in~~ account Dept. advised by immediate "Hold for ~~Xi'an~~ opening of ~~Xi'an~~ lines" another approach outlined para. 1 above.

CHINESE SIDE'S POSITION

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Classification

PARTIAL TRANSCRIPTION FOLLOWS

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WARSAW 439

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REF: Warsaw 427

SUBJ: WARSAW TALKS

FOR AMBASSADOR BROWN

1. Kreisberg and Anderson propose seek appointment morning Feb. 19 at

CHICOM Embassy at which letter on prisoners would be delivered and following approach made on CHICOM communication on 135th meeting (reftel):

a. Letter merely states that present atmosphere inappropriate for 135th meeting.

We would seek specific statement that they are cancelling meeting and will not meet with us Feb. 20.

b. CHICOMS have cancelled last three proposed meeting times for 135th meeting. US wishes to continue dialogue with CPR but in light CHICOM actions it uncertain whether Chinese on their side wish to continue series of meetings.

c. If meetings have any purpose at all, it is to enable two sides to discuss disputes and differences in private. Facts on LIAO Ho-shu case made clear by US side and not denied by Chinese which by stating that Liao "betrayed" his country, made clear in its public statement Feb. 6 that

It recognized that he left CHICOM office in the Hague voluntarily. If CHICOM wished to raise further points on Liao, obvious place to have done it was Warsaw meeting. We, therefore, reject grounds on which Chinese side has again unilaterally cancelled Feb. 20 meeting.

d. Nevertheless UN side continues remain ready to meet with Chinese in Warsaw or elsewhere. Present Chinese position for first time since talks began does not give even general time frame for subsequent meeting. (May 1968 postponement suggested mid or late November.) Kreisberg would suggest April 17 reasonable period around which to consider rescheduling of 135th meeting and ask that this be put to Peking.

e. Finally, Kreisberg would indicate that US would make public in course of next few days fact that we had suggested rescheduling of meeting for April.

2. Request Dept advise by immediate (Hold for opening of business) whether approach outlined Para. 1 above approved by Dept.